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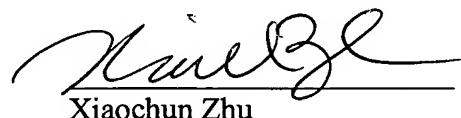
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 15, 2004, setting forth a requirement for restriction, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the subject matter of Group II, claims 22-30, drawn to a method of selecting or designing a compound which inhibits the binding of metal ions to the N-terminus of the β -amyloid peptide.

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